

April 20, 2018

Group 1: To evaluate the effectiveness, accessibility and quality of community mental health services

Draft: Purpose, Vision, Values for Group 1's consideration

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LAC Purpose/Mission

The purpose of the LAC is to assist in the improvement of public mental health services, review and make recommendations about public mental health services to the County Commissioners, and provide input and recommendations to MHOAC and the SAA.

LAC Draft Vision:

We aspire that all people have access to a person-centered, quality, seamless, integrated mental health system to assure a healthy community.

Group 1 Mission: To evaluate the effectiveness, accessibility and quality of community mental health services

After much discussion, the committee decided to focus on one area of our mission to start. The area we decided to focus on is accessibility to mental health services and crisis services.

The group decided to perform a quantitative study of accessibility of services. The group will be contacting different service providers to get wait times for various appointments (see below), and to gather data. The following were the assignments:

- A. Wait times for new patients (therapy)
- B. Wait times for established patients (therapy)
- C. Wait time for new patients (prescriber)
- D. Wait time for established patients (prescriber)
- E. Wait time for new pt. (Substance Use Disorder/Addiction counseling)
- F. Wait time for established pt. (SUD/Addiction counseling)

Assignments

- 2. Megan – SPMG, SPH and BHU (wait times see above)
- 3. Jill – Shodair, PureView (wait times see above)
- 4. Laura – WMMHC (Journey Home and Crisis Response encounters)
- 5. Kelli Goodwin-McBride – Helena Indian Alliance, Center for Mental Health
- 6. Alan Hughes – Time law enforcement spends waiting at the ER for medical clearance
- 7. County Attorney (John W) – MT State Hospital emergency detentions

Please bring this data to the next meeting on May 18th at 11:30 AM, PureView Board Room.
Please check in at the front desk.